# Joint Response to 2004 Environmental Water Account Technical Review Panel Report

presented by CBDA Science Program and the EWA Implementing Agencies

## Purpose of Response

- To address the important issues identified by the Panel, with the goal of increasing the overall efficacy of the EWA
- To establish actions, goals, timelines and commitments

### Technical Panel's Positive Findings

- Water supply reliability with an acceptable level of fish protection
- Reduced conflict
- Effective water acquisition
- Substantial program documentation
- Significant progress in interagency communication
- Other areas

# Technical Panel's Observations & Recommendations

- Strengthen the use of models
- Improve the use of gaming
- Improve the review process

### Example: Revised Review Process

- Action: change review period; smaller, more focused Panel; keep Panel better informed
- Goal: broaden review process and increase responsiveness
- Timeline: has already begun
- Commitments:
  - CBDA Science: facilitation; focus on science; funding
  - EWA Agencies: participate in review; develop substantive material for review

## Acknowledgement

- EWA Technical Panel members
- CBDA and Agency staff
- Stakeholders and participants in the review process